

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

PRINCIPAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2007 AT 1139 HOURS IN THE MEETING ROOM, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, LONDON ROAD, KILMARNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Alan Brown, Tom Cook, Douglas Reid, Jim Buchanan, Drew McIntyre, Jimmy Kelly and Drew Filson.

ATTENDING: Alan Neish, Head of Planning and Economic Development; Peter Hessem, Team Leader - Litigation Team; Bill Stewart, Principal Planning Officer; and Robert Beaton, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors John McGhee, Maureen McKay, Iain Linton and William Crawford.

CHAIR: Councillor Alan Brown, Chair.

1. DECISION OF THE NORTHERN AREA LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 19 MAY 2006 RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATION NO 05/1074/FL: CHANGE OF USE OF DOUBLE GARAGE TO ONE AND A HALF STOREY DWELLINGHOUSE AT 3 BANKWOOD, GALSTON BY MR J HODGE (Item 5, Page 2221, 03/07)

There was submitted a report dated 16 October 2007 (circulated) by the Depute Chief Executive/Executive Director of Corporate Support which informed of the decision of the Northern Area Local Planning Committee held on 19 May 2006, regarding the above planning application, and the executive summary sheet and report dated 15 October 2007 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Economic Development on a full planning application for change of use of double garage to one and a half storey dwellinghouse at 3 Bankwood, Galston.

It was noted that Members of the Committee had the opportunity to attend a site visit in respect of this application prior to the meeting and that no Hearing took place as objectors were neither present nor represented at the meeting of the Northern Area Local Planning Committee on 19 May 2006, therefore, there was no requirement for a Hearing at this meeting.

The Principal Planning Officer reported that two letters of objection from four parties had been received, details of which were contained within the report, summarised the planning considerations in respect of the application; and gave the recommendation of the Head of Planning and Economic Development: Refusal, for the reasons as detailed within the report.

Councillor Tom Cook, seconded by Councillor Douglas Reid, moved refusal for the reasons, as detailed within the report.

Councillor Jimmy Kelly, seconded by Councillor Drew McIntyre, moved as an amendment that the application be approved on the grounds that the application did accord with Policy RES7 of the East Ayrshire Local Plan, would enhance the amenity of the area and was not considered to be a significant departure from the Development Plan; and to delegate to the Head of Planning and Economic

Development that appropriate conditions be attached to the consent and as the requirements of the Roads Division lay outwith the submitted red line application site, that the applicant enter into a Section 75 Legal Agreement in respect of provision of a service lay-by, sightlines of 2.5m x 90m at the junction of the public road and three passing places should be provided from the development access to the nearest public road which permits two way traffic.

On a division by a show of hands, the motion was carried by 5 votes to 2.

The meeting terminated at 1159 hours.